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C. W. Adams
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Dear Mr. Adams:

I am responding to your letter, addressed to the Utah Geological and Mineral Survey, requesting information on dredging requirements in this State.

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) regulates the permitting of all mining operations and exploration activity within the State. Placer and lode mining is also regulated by the appropriate federal land managing agency, Bureau of Land Management and/or U.S. Forest Services, if the claim is located on federal land.

There are currently no dredging operations in this state; however, there are several small operators recovering gold along the banks of the Green River. To specifically answer your questions in the letter:

- 1) DOGM requires a permit for all mining activity, except extraction of sand, gravel, rock aggregate, water, geothermal steam, and oil and gas;
- 2) There is no charge to file an application with DOGM. A copy of our rules and application forms are enclosed;
- 3) DOGM does not seasonally restrict mining operations;
- 4) The UGMS may have booklets and pamphlets available. Also, the BLM may have useful information for you. (See the enclosed document, Staking a Mining Claim on Federal Lands, for the address and telephone number of the Utah BLM office).

I hope this information will answer your questions. Feel free to call if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Scott Johnson
Reclamation Engineer

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